DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana

General Purpose Financial Statements
With Independent Auditor's Report
As of and for the Year Ended
December 31, 2000
With Supplemental Information Schedules

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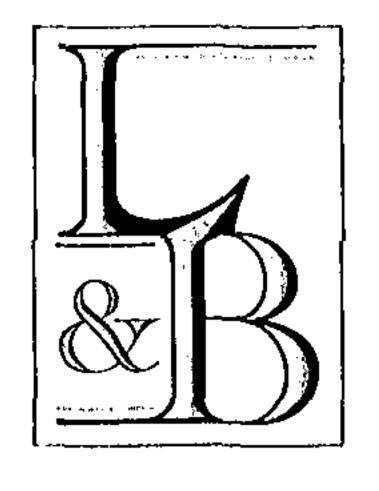
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Independent Auditor's Report

HONORABLE ILEY EVANS
DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE
THIRTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District, a component unit of the Caldwell Parish Police Jury, as of December 31, 2000, and for the year then ended, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District as of December 31, 2000, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental information schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Caldwell Parish, Louisiana Independent Auditor's Report, December 31, 2000

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated April 5, 2001 on the district attorney's compliance with laws, regulations, contracts, and grants; and our consideration of the district attorney's internal control. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

West Monroe, Louisiana April 5, 2001

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (OVERVIEW)

DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS

Combined Balance Sheet, December 31, 2000

		MENTAL TYPE	FIDUCIARY	ACCOUNT GROUP -	
	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	FUND TYPE AGENCY FUND	GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	TOTAL (MEMORANDUM ONLY)
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$17,266	\$86,119	\$46,628		\$150,013
Receivables	3,413	10,828			14,241
Due from Title IV-D Fund	1,200	4,941			6,141
Office equipment			<u></u>	<u>\$66,011</u>	66,011
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$21,879</u>	<u>\$101,888</u>	\$46,628	<u>\$66,011</u>	\$236,406
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$2,372	\$2,837			\$5,209
Payroll withholdings payable	3,273				3,273
Due to:					
General Fund		1,200			1,200
Worthless Check Fund		4,941			4,941
Due to others		<u></u>	\$46,628		46,628
Total Liabilities	5,645	8,978	46,628	NONE	61,251
Fund Equity:					
Investment in general fixed assets				\$66,011	66,011
Fund balances - unreserved - undesignated	16,234	92,910			109,144
Total Fund Equity	16,234	92,910	NONE	66,011	175,155
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND					
FUND EQUITY	\$21,879	\$101,888	<u>\$46,628</u>	<u>\$66,011</u>	\$236,406

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTY JUDICIAL DISTRICT Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

		GENERAL	FUND VARIANCE	SPE	CJAL REVEN	NUE FUNDS VARIANCE
	BUDGET	<u>ACTUAL</u>	FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)	<u>BUDGET</u>	ACTUAL	FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
REVENUES						
Intergovernmental revenues:						
Federal - Department of Health				ቀተማይ በበበ	\$127,759	(\$241)
and Human Services	<u>ቀ</u> ላብ ብብብ	\$22,917	\$2,917	\$128,000 25,000	27,375	2,375
State - Department of Social Services	\$20,000	\$22,917	$\mathfrak{p}_{\mathcal{L}},\mathfrak{I}_{\mathcal{I}}$	20,000	27,070	2,.,,,,
Fees, charges, and commissions for services: Collection fees				75,000	77,256	2,256
Commissions on fines and forfeitures	43,665	46,215	2,550	,,,,,,,	, , , , , ,	•
Use of money and property - interest earnings	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	379	379	1,090	1,246_	156
Total revenues	63,665	69,511	5,846	229,090	233,636	4,546
EXPENDITURES						
General government - judicial						
Current:				. =		4 5 40
Personal services and related benefits	47,650	47,696	(46)	127,200	124,660	2,540
Operating services	20,250	18,801	1,449	91,200	92,442	(1,242)
Materials and supplies	7,400	6,098	1,302	5,070	5,681	(611)
Travel and other charges	3,200	3,092	108	1,200	1,252	(52)
Capital Outlay	3,750	3,403	347	2,300	$\frac{2,637}{226,672}$	(337)
Total expenditures	82,250	79,090	3,160	<u>226,970</u>	<u>226,672</u>	298_
EXCESS OF REVENUES						
OVER EXPENDITURES	(18,585)	(9,579)	9,006	2,120	6,964	4,844
FUND BALANCES AT					25.80 25.3.2	A
BEGINNING OF YEAR	23,596	25,813	2,217	64,683	<u>85,946</u>	21,263
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	\$5,011	<u>\$16,234</u>	\$11,223	<u>\$66,803</u>	<u>\$92,910</u>	\$26,107

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana

Notes to the Financial Statements As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2000

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As provided by Article V, Section 26 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, the district attorney has charge of every criminal prosecution by the state in his district, is the representative of the state before the grand jury in his district, and is the legal advisor to the grand jury. He performs other duties as provided by law. The district attorney is elected by the qualified electors of the judicial district for a term of six years. The judicial district encompasses the parish of Caldwell, Louisiana.

A. REPORTING ENTITY

As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Caldwell Parish Police Jury is considered a separate financial reporting entity. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (the police jury), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Caldwell Parish Police Jury for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

- 1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
 - a. The ability of the police jury to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the police jury.

Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

- 2. Organizations for which the police jury does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the police jury.
- 3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Because the police jury maintains and operates the parish courthouse in which the district attorney's office is located, the district attorney was determined to be a component unit of the Caldwell Parish Police Jury, the financial reporting entity. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the district attorney and do not present information on the police jury, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

B. FUND ACCOUNTING

The district attorney uses funds and account groups to report on financial position and the results of operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures. An account group, on the other hand, is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities (general fixed assets and general long-term debt) that are not recorded in the "funds" because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources. They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position, not with the measurement of results of operations.

Funds are classified into three categories; governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. Bach category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types". Governmental funds are used to account for a government's general activities, where the focus of attention is on the providing of services to the public as opposed to proprietary funds where the focus of attention is on recovering the cost of providing services to the public or other agencies through service charges or user fees. Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held for others. The district attorney's current operations require the use of only governmental funds and are described as follows:

Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

General Fund (District Attorney's Expense)

The General Fund was established in compliance with Louisiana Revised Statute 15:571.11, which provides that twelve per cent of the fines collected and bonds forfeited be transmitted to the district attorney to defray the necessary expenditures of his office.

Special Revenue Funds

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources such as federal and state grants and fees for services. Those revenues are legally restricted, either by grant agreement or state law, to expenditures for specified purposes such as family and child support programs, and specified expenses of the district attorney's office.

Fiduciary Fund Type - Agency Fund

The agency fund is used as a depository for partial payments on the collection of worthless checks. Disbursements are made to merchants and to the sheriff's office when full amount is collected. The agency fund is custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and does not involve measurement of results of operations.

C. GENERAL FIXED ASSETS AND LONG-TERM DEBT

Fixed assets purchased from governmental funds are accounted for in the general fixed assets account group, rather than in the governmental funds. General fixed assets provided by the parish police jury are not recorded in the general fixed assets account group. Approximately 58 per cent of fixed assets are valued at actual cost, while the remaining 42 per cent are valued at estimated cost based on the actual cost of like items. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets. The district attorney has no long-term debt at December 31, 2000.

Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

D. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial and reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements for these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is used for reporting all governmental fund types. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. The district attorney uses the following practices in recognizing and reporting revenues and expenditures:

Revenues

Commissions on fines and bond forfeitures are recorded in the year they are collected by the parish tax collector.

Fees from the collection of worthless checks are recorded in the year they are collected. Grants are recorded when the district attorney is entitled to the funds. Interest income on time deposits is recorded when the time deposits have matured and the interest is available. Substantially all other revenues are recorded when received.

Based on the above criteria, commissions on fines and bond forfeitures, and grants have been treated as susceptible to accrual.

Expenditures

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana
Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

E. BUDGET PRACTICES

The proposed budget, prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting, is made available for public inspection at least fifteen days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. The budget is then legally adopted by the district attorney and amended during the year, as necessary. The budget is established and controlled by the district attorney at the object level of expenditure. The district attorney does not utilize encumbrance accounting. Appropriations lapse at year-end and must be reappropriated for the following year to be expended. All changes in the budget must be approved by the district attorney.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. Budgeted amounts included in the accompanying financial statement include the original adopted budget amounts and all subsequent amendments.

F. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Under state law, the district attorney may deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the union, or the laws of the United States. The district attorney may invest in certificates and time deposits of state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana. At December 31, 2000, the district attorney has cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$150,013 follows:

Demand deposits	\$123,745
Petty cash	30
Time deposits	26,238_
Total	<u>\$150,013</u>

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits, or the resulting bank balances, must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. Deposit balances (bank balances) at December 31, 2000, total \$151,953, and are fully secured by federal deposit insurance.

G. VACATION AND SICK LEAVE

All employees are entitled to one to three weeks of non-cumulative vacation leave and ten to fifteen days of non-cumulative sick leave each year. Unused vacation and sick leave

Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

cannot be carried forward to the succeeding year. At December 31, 2000, there are no accumulated and vested benefits relating to vacation and sick leave that require accrual or disclosure.

11. TOTAL COLUMN ON THE BALANCE SHEET

The total column on the balance sheet is captioned Memorandum Only to indicate that it is presented only to facilitate financial analysis (overview). Data in this column does not present financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

1. RISK MANAGEMENT

The district attorney is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions. To handle such risk of loss, the district attorney maintains commercial insurance policies covering his automobile, professional liability and surety bond coverage. No claims were paid on any of the policies during the past three years which exceeded the policies' coverage amounts. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage during the year ended December 31, 2000.

2. RECEIVABLES

The following is a summary of receivables at December 31, 2000:

		Special	
	General	Revenue	
	Fund	Funds	Total
Intergovernmental revenues:			
State - Department of Social Services		\$10,828	\$10,828
Commissions on fines and forfeitures	\$3,413		3,413_
Total	\$3,413	\$10,828	\$14,241

Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

3. CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in office equipment follows:

Balance, January 1, 2000	\$63,403
Additions	6,040
Deletions	(3,432)
Balance at December 31, 2000	<u>\$66,011</u>

4. PENSION PLAN

The district attorney and assistant district attorneys of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District are members of the Louisiana District Attorneys Retirement System (System), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by a separate board of trustees.

Assistant district attorneys who earn, as a minimum, the amount paid by the state for assistant district attorneys and are under the age of 60 at the time of original employment and all district attorneys are required to participate in the System. For members who joined the System before July 1, 1990, and who elected not to be covered by the new provisions, the following applies: Any member with 23 or more years of creditable service regardless of age may retire with a 3 percent benefit reduction for each year below age 55, provided that no reduction is applied if the member has 30 or more years of service. Any member with at least 18 years of service may retire at age 55 with a 3 percent benefit reduction for each year below age 60. In addition, any member with at least 10 years of service may retire at age 60 with a 3 percent benefit reduction for each year retiring below age 62. The retirement benefit is equal to 3 percent of the member's average final compensation multiplied by the number of years of his membership service, not to exceed 100 percent of his average final compensation.

For members who joined the System after July 1, 1990, or who elected to be covered by the new provisions the following applies: Members are eligible to receive normal retirement benefits if they are age 60 and have 10 years of service credit, are age 55 and have 24 years of service credit, or have 30 years of service credit regardless of age. The normal retirement benefit is equal to 3.5 percent of the member's final average compensation multiplied by years of membership service. A member is eligible for early retirement if he is age 55 and has 18 years of service credit. The early retirement benefit is equal to the normal retirement benefit reduced by 3% for each year the member retires in advance of normal retirement age. Benefits may not exceed 100 percent of average final compensation. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established or amended by state statute.

The system issues an annual publicly available report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Louisiana District

Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

Under Plan A, members are required by state statute to contribute 9.50 per cent of their annual covered salary and the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 7.75 per cent of annual covered payroll. Contributions to the system also include one-fourth of one per cent (except Orleans and East Baton Rouge Parishes) of the taxes shown to be collectible by the tax rolls of each parish. These tax dollars are divided between Plan A and Plan B based proportionately on the salaries of the active members of each plan. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District are established and may be amended by state statute. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The Thirty-Seventh Judicial District's contributions to the System under Plan A for the years ending December 31, 2000, 1999, and 1998, were \$7,398, \$6,332, and \$5,380, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

5. CHANGES IN AGENCY FUND BALANCES

A summary of changes in agency fund balance due to others follows:

Balance at January 1, 2000	\$45,469
Additions	32,814
Reductions	(31,655)
Balance at December 31, 2000	<u>\$46,628</u>

6. LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

At December 31, 2000, the district attorney is not involved in any litigation, nor is he aware of any unasserted claims.

7. EXPENDITURES OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY NOT INCLUDED IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying financial statements do not include certain expenditures of the district attorney paid out of the funds of the criminal court, the parish police jury, or directly by the state.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE
THIRTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana
Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

8. FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

During the year ended December 31, 2000, the District Attorney of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District participated in the following federal financial assistance program:

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR NAME/ PROGRAM TITLE	PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR'S NUMBER	CFDA NUMBER	REVENUERECOGNIZED YEAR ENDED December 31, 2000
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES			
Passed through Louisiana Department of Social Services - Child Enforcement Title IV-D	509089	13.783	\$127,759

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES

Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2000

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

TITLE IV-D FUND

The Title IV-D Fund consists of incentive payments and reimbursement grants from the Louisiana Department of Social Services, authorized by Act 117 of 1975, to establish family and child support programs compatible with Title IV-D of the Social Security Act. The purpose of the fund is to enforce the support obligation owed by absent parents to their families and children, to locate absent parents, to establish paternity, and to obtain family and child support.

WORTHLESS CHECK FUND

The Worthless Check Fund consists of fees collected in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 16:15, which provides for a specific fee whenever the district attorney's office collects and processes a worthless check. Expenditures from this fund are at the sole discretion of the district attorney and may be used only to defray the salaries and expenses of the office of the district attorney, but may not be used to supplement the salary of the district attorney.

FAMILIES IN NEED OF SERVICES (FINS)

The Families in Need of Services (FINS) Fund consists of a state grant funded by the Louisiana Department of Social Services. The purpose of the fund is to intervene in a family's life so that appropriate services to remedy the family's dysfunction can be secured and to establish a family service plan binding upon all family members and the appropriate service providers.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Combining Balance Sheet, December 31, 2000

	TITLE IV-D _FUND_	<u>FINS</u>	WORTHLESS CHECK FUND	TOTAL
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$9,049	\$1,546	\$75,524	\$86,119
Receivables	10,828			10,828
Due from Title IV-D Fund	<u></u>		4,941	4,941
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$19,877</u>	<u>\$1,546</u>	<u>\$80,465</u>	<u>\$101,888</u>
LABILITIES				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$2,100	\$153	\$584	\$2,837
Due to:				
General Fund	1,200			1,200
Worthless Check Fund	4,941_			4,941
Total liabilities	8,241	153	584	8,978
Fund Equity - fund balances -				
unreserved - undesignated	_11,636_	<u>\$1,393</u>	<u>\$79,881</u>	92,910
TOTAL LIABILITIES				
AND FUND EQUITY	\$19,877	<u>\$1,546</u>	<u>\$80,465</u>	<u>\$101,888</u>

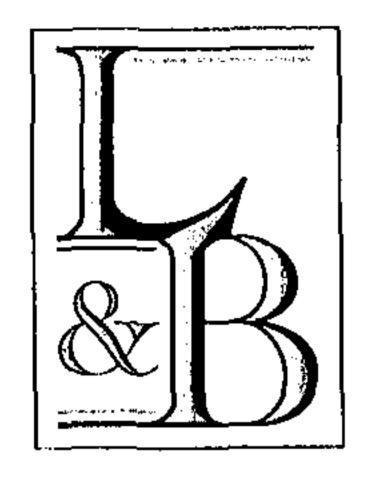
DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

	TITLE IV-D FUND	FINS	WORTHLESS CHECK FUND	TOTAL
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental revenues:				
Federal grants	\$127,759			\$127,759
State grants		\$27,375		27,375
Fees, charges, and commissions for				
services - collection fees			\$77,256	77,256
Use of money and property	334		912	1,246
Total revenues	128,093	<u>27,375</u>	<u>78,168</u>	233,636
EXPENDITURES General government: Current:				
Personal services and related benefits	116,784		7,876	124,660
Operating services	5,110	29,443	57,889	92,442
Materials and supplies	5,498	183		5,681
Travel and other charges	367	576	309	1,252
Capital outlay		2,333_	304	<u>2,637</u>
Total expenditures	127,759	32,535	66,378	<u>226,672</u>
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES				
OVER EXPENDITURES	334	(5,160)	11,790	6,964
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	11,302	6,553	68,091	85,946
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$11,636</u>	<u>\$1,393</u>	<u>\$79,881</u>	<u>\$92,910</u>

Independent Auditor's Report Required by Government Auditing Standards

The following independent auditor's report on compliance with laws, regulations, contracts and internal control is presented in compliance with the requirements of *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, issued by the Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.



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Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance and Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

HONORABLE ILEY EVANS
DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE
THIRTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District as of and for the year ended December 31, 2000 and have issued our report thereon dated April 5, 2001. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District Attorney of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District Attorney of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance And Internal Control Over Financial Reporting, etc. December 31, 2000

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District and management of the district attorney's office and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

West Monroe, Louisiana April 5, 2001

Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the general purpose financial statements of District Attorney of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District.
- No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of District Attorney
 of the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District were disclosed during the audit.
- 3. No reportable conditions relating to the audit of the financial statements are reported in the Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control.

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

None

Schedule 4

DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana

Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

There were no audit findings reported in the audit for the year ended December 31, 1999.